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President Merrill announces resignation

Dr. Edward C. Merrill, Jr., who has served as Gallaudet's fourth president since 1969, has resigned as president of the College effective Sept. 30, 1983. The Board of Trustees accepted with regret the resignation of Dr. Merrill in a meeting following the 118th Commencement last Monday.

The Board of Trustees has granted Dr. Merrill a leave of absence with faculty status effective from Oct. 1, 1983-Jan. 31, 1985. During this time, he will assist the College with special projects to be funded from private sources at the request of the new president.

Merrill came to Gallaudet on Jan. 15, 1969 as president-elect and special assistant to Dr. Leonard M. Elstad. He became president on July 1, 1969 and has served for the past 13 years in that capacity.

During this time, under Merrill's leadership, Gallaudet's facilities and academic programs have grown considerably. College enrollment has increased and many new buildings, including the Learning Center, MSSD, KDES and Field House have been completed. The Old Gym has undergone renovation, and plans are now underway to prepare the new Northwest Campus for a School of Preparatory Studies to accommodate students who were born during the rubella epidemic of 1964-65.

The past 13 years have also seen such things as an improved faculty student ratio, a new College for Continuing Education, the National Center for Law and the Deaf, the National Information Center on Deafness, increased research, improved community and congressional relations, and other work toward implementing the 16 goals developed for the mission of Gallaudet.

Dr. Merrill, who has devoted his entire career to education, came to Gallaudet from his position as dean of the College of Education at the University of Tennessee. He also taught at the University of North Carolina, the University of Rochester and Auburn University. He received his AB in English from the University of North Carolina in 1942, his MS in Educational Administration and Supervision from the University of Tennessee in 1948 and his PhD in Educational Administration from Peabody in 1953. He has received numerous awards both national and international, including an honorary Doctor of Laws from Gallaudet, the Distinguished Service Award from the NAD, the Decoration of International Social Merit from the World Federation of the Deaf and the Algernon Sidney Sullivan Award.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in June to develop and announce plans for the selection of the fifth President of Gallaudet.



Edward C. Merrill, Jr.



Students, relatives, faculty and staff fill the new Field House at Gallaudet's 118th Commencement May 17.

118th Commencement held

"You may have noticed that I have used the word 'we' to describe the deaf," said actress Louise Fletcher, as she concluded her address at the 118th Commencement exercises at Gallaudet College on Monday, May 17. "If my feelings about my heritage have come through, you should understand that children of deaf parents often imagine that they are part of the universal family of the deaf. It is a legacy that makes me proud. I hope that I will always be a member of this brave minority."

Both of Fletcher's parents are Gallaudet alumni. Her father, the Rev. Robert C. Fletcher, a retired Episcopal priest who graduated from Gallaudet in 1926, appeared with her on the platform to give the invocation.

Her speech, in which she chided those who fail to see the bountiful return on every dollar invested in the education of students at Gallaudet and called upon industry to provide more jobs for a "growing market of deaf consumers," earned her a standing ovation and many new deaf friends.

The actress, who just completed the film "Brainstorm" for MGM, captivated a nationwide television audience when she used sign language in accepting her 1976 Academy Award for the role of Nurse Ratched in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." Then she was merely offering a few words of thanks to her parents, she said in her speech, but the thousands of letters and telegrams that poured in

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Commencement speaker Louise Fletcher tapes an interview with ABC's Entertainment Tonight, one of a number of print and television media on hand to cover the event.



William Stokoe heads the procession of faculty and students as they march to the Field House from Hall Memorial Building.

Gallaudet wins CASE Awards

Each year, colleges and universities around the country are invited to participate in the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) Recognition Program. The program honors efforts in institutional advancement achieved by the colleges and universities in such fields as public relations, development, alumni relations, publications, electronic or film media and volunteer or community programs.

As the CASE Recognition Program entry booklet states: "Recognition gives a professional 'stamp of approval' that your programs and communications are meeting the highest standards for excellence and that your resources are being wisely invested."

This "stamp of approval" was given to Gallaudet this year in four major CASE Recognition categories: Community Relations, Electronic Media-film, Electronic Media-video, and Individual Publications and Pieces. Programs and individuals that received recognition from CASE are:

- Gallaudet's Community Relations program. Our efforts to involve the greater northeast community that surrounds Gallaudet in the campus, as well as to bring students, faculty and staff together with our northeast neighbors for mutual understanding and support has been awarded an Exceptional Achievement Award by the panel of judges that was hosted by Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts. The award will go to La Varne Hines who directs the Community Relations Program and to the Gallaudet College

Community Relations Council.

- Art and Photography Services for the animated film, "A Message." The film, produced as a reading motivation tool for young hearing impaired children, will receive the Special Merit Award. The award will go to Lester Pegues, the animator-producer and to Art and Photography Services, College Educational Resources. NTID hosted the judging for this category.
- Experiential Programs Off Campus for their videotape which was developed to interest potential new employers in the EPOC program. The videotape was produced by Mary Gawlik and Anne Nissen, and a CASE Citation Award will go to them and to William Varriour, director of EPOC. Georgia Tech was host for the videotape judging.

- The Office of Hearing-Vision Impaired Programs of the Division of Public Services. This office will receive the Special Merit Award for the packet of materials produced for the American Association of the Deaf-Blind Convention last summer. The award will go to Julia Smull, formerly with Gallaudet Press, who designed the packet and to the Office of Hearing-Vision Impaired Programs. Judging for this category was done at Boston University and there were a total of 655 entries submitted.

Notification of these awards has come directly from the host institutions where the actual judging was done by an independent panel. Official notification of the awards and award certificates will be sent to Gallaudet and other winners by CASE.

This year, submission of Gallaudet entries for the CASE competition was centralized. The Institutional Advancement Office sent out a memorandum inviting persons campus-wide to submit their best efforts to be considered for entry. John Scott, director of Art and Photography for College Educational Resources and Lolly Gilbert, director of publications in the Alumni and Public Relations Office, collected the entries submitted by the various campus units and arranged for them to be judged on campus. The best entries—13 of them from various units on campus—were then submitted to CASE with the Office of Alumni and Public Relations paying the entry fees.

Harris to speak

Patricia Roberts Harris, a candidate for mayor of the District of Columbia, will lecture on "Current Issues in Health and Human Services" at the Gallaudet Forum June 4.

The lecture, sponsored by Programs in Adult and Community Education of the College for Continuing Education, will be held in the upper level of the Gallaudet Cafeteria beginning at 6 p.m. A buffet dinner will follow at 7 p.m., and a question and answer session will round out the evening from 8-9 p.m.

Harris was secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services in 1980-81, secretary of Health, Education and Welfare from 1979-80 and secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development from 1977-79. She is also a former dean of Howard University Law School.

Admission to the event is \$10 and the deadline for registering to attend is May 28. To register, contact PACE in Room 213 College Hall, or call x5579 voice and TDD.

NIA proposals

The National Institute on Aging (NIA) within the National Institutes of Health has announced a proposal deadline of June 1, 1982 for a program of small grant awards for pilot projects. This program supports pilot projects, testing of new techniques or feasibility studies of innovative, high risk research. For more information, contact the Institute at 496-3136.



New graduates gather outside the Field House after Commencement exercises.

Kappa Sigma chapter established

The Theta Nu Tau fraternity, which was established at Gallaudet in 1969, fulfilled its ambition to become a chapter in an international fraternity when it became a colony of Kappa Sigma at a reception in Senator Robert Dole's office in March.

The Theta Nu Tau fraternity, its Past Grand Master Tom King and the fraternity's advisor, Dick Hoke, worked for almost three years to meet the requirements of becoming a colony of Kappa Sigma. Hoke, environment design coordinator at the College, is a Kappa Sig from the Delta Psi Chapter, Michigan State University. Hoke's father and six brothers are all Kappa Sigma members.

"It involved a lot of time and effort, but the men were determined to meet the requirements of Kappa Sigma," said Hoke. Tom King added that the fraternity chose Kappa Sigma because

of its "strong national policy against hazing. It has a meaningful pledge education program and encourages and develops individual scholarship and leadership potential."

Kappa Sigma, which was founded at the University of Virginia in 1869, is the third largest fraternity, with more than 135,000 members and 226 undergraduate chapters in 43 states and Canada. It also has more than 100 active alumni chapters and associations including the National Capital Alumni Chapter in Washington, D.C.

The Gallaudet colony expects to receive official chapter status this coming fall and will be assigned Greek letters by Kappa Sigma headquarters. All alumni and honorary members in good standing of the Theta Nu Tau fraternity can become members of Kappa Sigma if they wish to do so upon payment of a one-time membership fee. The alumni and honorary members will have one year after the colony gains chapter status to exercise this option.

Archives presents photo exhibit

The Gallaudet College Archives is currently presenting an exhibit of approximately 200 photographs relating to the history of the buildings and grounds of Gallaudet College from 1857-1930.

The exhibit is located in the lower level of the Learning Center and will be on display until September.



The Gallaudet Dancers perform "The Way We Were" at Commencement.

Personnel Hotline

x5111 voice/TDD

Open Season reminder

Open Season for health insurance will continue until Friday, May 28. Permanent employees can either change their health insurance plan or enroll in a plan for the first time, with no restrictions.

Registration forms for making changes or signing up for a health plan are available at the following locations: College Hall—Personnel Rooms 7 & B14
KDES—Room 3400
MSSD—Room 204-C
HMB—Room 152
CUB—M&O Administration Office

All registration forms must be returned to the Personnel Office in College Hall no later than Tuesday, June 1. Any registration form dated after May 28 will not be valid for Open Season election. Persons who do not want coverage or who wish to retain their current coverage do not need to complete a new registration form. All Open Season changes and elections will become effective July 11, 1982 and the first payroll deduction will be made from paychecks on Aug. 3, 1982.

For further information, contact David Curtis at x5113, voice or TDD.

A Message from the President

Dear Friends and Associates:

In a news story in this issue, you have read that the Board of Trustees of Gallaudet College has accepted my resignation from the office of president, effective Sept. 30, 1983. In my letter to the Board of Trustees, I indicated that I thought that the College needs new and different leadership for the challenges which lie ahead.

I have enjoyed working for Gallaudet College immensely. We have been extremely fortunate to have had good support from the Congress of the United States and the various executive offices. This has enabled the College to expand curricula and program offerings as well as construct needed facilities. We were fortunate, indeed, to obtain the Northwest Campus in time to renovate it and expand it in order to accommodate still other young deaf people.

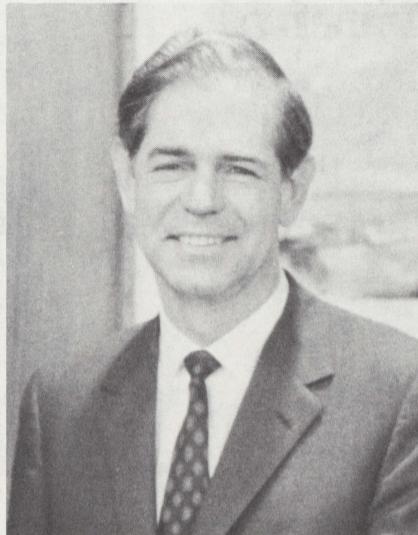
Gallaudet College, the MSSD and the KDES are most fortunate to have dedicated and competent faculties as well as capable administrators. It is a privilege to work with the faculty and administrative staff. These persons really make Gallaudet College what it is.

Although the administrative work at Gallaudet is quite comparable to similar work in any college or university, it is a very humbling experience for a hearing person to serve as president of Gallaudet College. Every day I meet fine deaf people who have accepted their deafness and made remarkable progress in academic and professional fields in spite of their handicap. They have achieved in ways that are truly remarkable. I consider myself fortunate, for I have been in a position to work with and be associated with people of this calibre.

With the prospect of a new president come new options for growth and development of this institution. Although I will have no part in the search for my replacement, I will be as interested and excited as you are about who the fifth president will be and how we can support him.

In the meantime, all of us must continue to work together to prepare for the more immediate challenges facing Gallaudet College. My colleagues and I will be working diligently to obtain as much support as possible for the programs which the College must offer to increasing numbers of students who expect to enter here next fall, the fall of 1983 and the fall of 1984.

Sincerely yours,
Edward C. Merrill, Jr.



Dr. Merrill is pictured here shortly after he became president of Gallaudet.

Among Ourselves

Dr. Robert Davila, vice-president for Pre-College Programs, was presented the Margaret E. Jackson Award for leadership by the Metro NY Chapter of

the Gallaudet College Alumni Association. Davila was the guest speaker at their annual meeting April 18.



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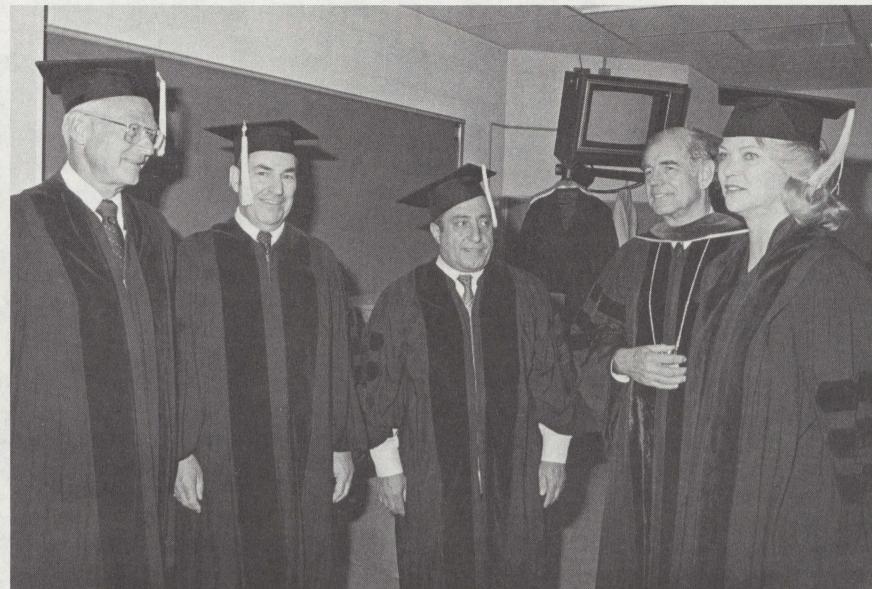
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Gallaudet College is an equal opportunity employer-education institution. Programs and services offered by Gallaudet College received substantial financial support from the Department of Education.

Mary Gawlik, coordinator of Intern Programs with the Experiential Programs Off Campus office, was recently elected to the Board of Directors of Big Sisters of the Washington Metropolitan Area, Inc.

Dr. Yerker Andersson of the College of Arts and Sciences, recently attended the Hearing Impaired Awareness Week in the Knoxville area. His activities from May 4-8 included serving as a panel moderator at the Tennessee School for the Deaf, lecturing on "Societal Attitudes Towards Deafness" and "As a Deaf Administrator" at Maryville College, lecturing on "Understanding Deafness" at Oak Ridge National Laboratory and speaking on "Cultivating Career Opportunities" and at a banquet at the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Andersson is also attending the World Federation of the Deaf Bureau meeting in Vienna, Austria May 21-29.



Receiving honorary degrees at Gallaudet's 118th Commencement were, from left, William McClure, Jess Smith, Julius Barnathan, (President Merrill) and Louise Fletcher.

Commencement

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thanking her for speaking to the deaf began to make her aware of the large numbers of deaf people there are and to want to repay some of what her parents had given her.

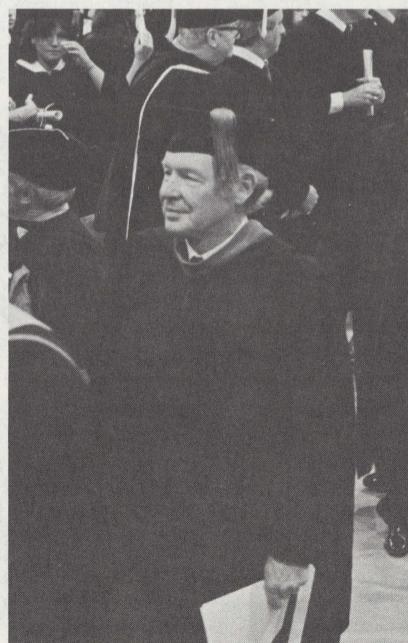
Two hundred sixty-nine students received degrees at the ceremonies held in the new Field House on campus. This was the first time that Commencement was held on Kendall Green since 1971 as no place on campus had been large enough to accommodate the growing numbers of parents and friends who gathered to watch the conferring of degrees. Another "first" this year was the students who graduated from the Teacher Preparation Program in the Department of Education (School of Education and Human Services) which leads to a certification in general education.

Several members of Congress and embassy officials were on hand to present degrees to graduates from their states and countries. They included Rep. Robert A. Roe of New Jersey; Rep. Wayne Dowdy of Mississippi; Rep. Clement J. Zablocki of Wisconsin; His Excellency Abudu Y. Eke, Ambassador of Nigeria; and Mr. Herb Fraser, Counsellor of the Embassy of Canada.

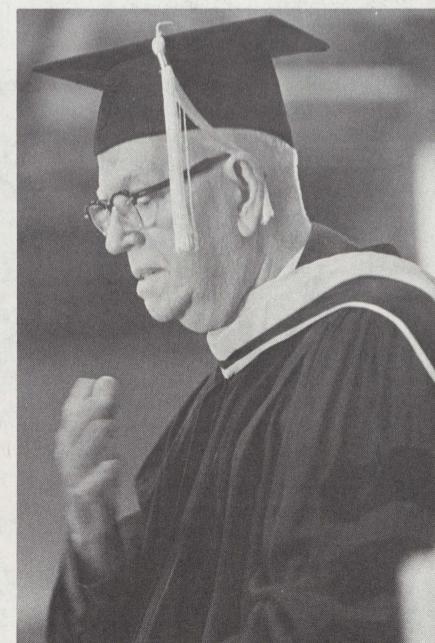
The four honorary degree recipients at this year's Commencement were Louise Fletcher, Doctor of Humane Letters; Julius Barnathan, Doctor of Science; Dr. William McClure, Doctor of Laws; and Jess Smith, Doctor of Letters. Barnathan, president of Broadcast Operations and Engineering of the American Broadcast Company, was recognized as the "father of closed captioned television." McClure, president emeritus of the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, was cited as "a giant in the education of deaf people." Jess Smith, retired editor of the *Deaf American* and assistant superintendent of education of the Indiana School for the Deaf, was saluted as a "master builder and deaf advocate."

During the program, Gallaudet President Dr. Edward C. Merrill, Jr. especially recognized the service of Paul Nance, who is retiring as vice president of Gallaudet's Division of Business Affairs; Dr. Harry Bornstein, retiring as professor in the Psychology Department; and Dr. Robert Sanderson, who held the Powrie Vaux Doctor Chair of Deaf Studies for the past year.

Graduating seniors from the Gallaudet Dance Company, the Gallaudet Chorus, soloist Christina Herrera deNassif and organist Miquel Valdes performed for the graduating students and their friends and families.



Vice President for Business Affairs Paul Nance was honored for his 16 years of service to Gallaudet.



The Rev. Robert Fletcher, Louise Fletcher's father, gave the invocation at the Commencement exercises.

Homes needed for deaf children

Peirce-Warwick Adoption Service, an agency that specializes in finding permanent adoptive homes for children with special needs, is searching for parents for deaf children who may have other special needs as well. Black families are especially needed.

Unless these children are adopted, they may be placed in institutions or will live in foster family situations which are not intended to be permanent.

Peirce-Warwick Adoption Service does not have rigid requirements for a "standard" family. There is no fee, and often subsidy is available to help families meet expenses.

For further information, call 966-2531 or write Peirce-Warwick Adoption Service, 5229 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20015.



Students look at the Rodin sculpture, "The Kiss," which was on display in the Field House. A number of Rodins on loan to Gallaudet until Oct. 1 can now be seen at MSSD and in the Learning Center.

Calendar of Extension Events

The following extension programs are being planned throughout the United States for the month of June. For more information about upcoming events, contact the campus sponsor or the Office of Extension Programs. If you plan to give any off-campus presentation, workshops or courses on behalf of Gallaudet in July, please contact Regan Quinn, x5599, before June 8.

KEY:
GCEC—Gallaudet College Extension Center
NECC—Northern Essex Community College

June programs:

DATE	PROGRAM	REQUESTOR AND LOCATION	CAMPUS SPONSOR
6-01-82	Beginning Conversation Sign Language II (2 credits)	GCEC-JCCC Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC
6-01-82	Intermediate Conversation Sign Language I (2 credits)	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC
6-01-82	Intermediate Conversational Sign Language II (2 credits)	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC
6-02-82	Association for Trial Lawyers "Clearinghouse for Private Bar"	Washington, D.C.	NCLD
6-02-82	Career Education	LA School for the Deaf, Baton Rouge	
6-06-82	Family Learning Vacation	East. NC School for the Deaf, Wilson, NC	ES/Weyerhaeuser
6-06-82	Family Learning Vacation	Nebraska School for the Deaf, Omaha, NE	JCCC-GCEC
6-06-82	Diagnosis & Remediation of Reading Difficulties of Hearing Impaired Children (3 credits)	Kentucky School for the Deaf, Danville, KY	ES
6-12-82	Diagnosis & Remediation of Reading Difficulties of Hearing Impaired Children (3 credits)	Millneck Manor Lutheran School for the Deaf, Millneck, NY	ES
6-12-82	Workshop: How To Do A Workshop	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	ASP-SSOF/GCEC-JCCC
6-14-82	Evaluation & Accountability in Special Education (3 credits)	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC/AD/ES
6-14-82	Foundations of Supervision & Management (3 credits)	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC/AD/ES
6-14-82	Follow up Interpreters Institute	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC
6-14-82	ITP Workshop: Interpreter Trainer's Training	TVI-St. Paul, MN	GCEC-JCCC
6-16-82	Developmental Reading Curriculum Workshop	VA Schools for Deaf, Staunton, VA	ASP/PSA
6-19-82	Family Learning Vacation	M. Katzenbach School for Deaf, W. Trenton, NJ	ES/Weyerhaeuser
6-20-82	Family Learning Vacation	PA Sch. for Deaf, Philadelphia, PA	PSD/ES
6-21-82	Special Topics: Implementing Total Communication (1 credit)	California School for the Deaf, Riverside, CA	ES/SSOF
6-21-82	Sex Education in the Dormitory & Classroom	California School for the Deaf, Riverside, CA	ES/SSOF/ASP
6-21-82	Speech Development of the Hearing Impaired (3 credits)	Dade City School System, Miami Springs, FL	ED/ES
6-21-82	Beginning Conversational Sign Language I (2 credits)	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC
6-21-82	Advanced Conversational Sign Language I (2 credits)	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC
6-21-82	ITP Workshop: Intensive Skills Building for Beginning Interpreters	GCEC-JCCC, Overland Park, KA	GCEC-JCCC
6-25-82	Family Learning Vacation/Usher's Syndrome	LA School for the Deaf, Baton Rouge	HVIP
6-27-82	Family Learning Vacation	American School for the Deaf, Hartford, CT	GCEC-NECC/SSOF
6-28-82	Sign to Voice Interpreting I (2 credits)	N.W. Connecticut Community College, Winsted, CT	GCEC-NECC/ES
6-29-82	Rewriting Materials for the Hearing Impaired	Carroll Co. School System, Carroll County, MD	ASP/PSA

Jobs Available

STAFF POSITIONS

- SECRETARIAL POSITIONS: Contact Personnel for listing.
 VIDEO/AUDIO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OPERATOR: Technical Support Center
 TV STUDIO ENGINEER: Gallaudet Television
 COORDINATOR, BUSINESS MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS: Business Services
 APPLICATIONS PROGRAMMER (2): Business Affairs
 SENIOR SYSTEMS PROGRAMMER: Computer Center
 INTERPRETER: Interpreter Referral Services
 COORDINATOR: Gallaudet Interpreting Services
 FISCAL AUDITING ASSISTANT: Internal Auditing
 SENIOR WORD PROCESSING SPECIALIST: MSSD
 GROUNDSKEEPER: M&O Grounds Services
 NIGHT SUPERVISOR: MSSD Residence Program
 RESEARCH AIDE: National Academy INTAKE COORDINATOR: EPOC
 ASST. TO THE DEAN: Research Institute
 INTERPRETER/CLERK: Personnel Office
 ASST. SHIFT SUPERVISOR: Safety & Security
 PRODUCTION SPECIALIST TRAINEE: Television

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT STAFF POSITIONS, CONTACT **JOB RECORDING IN PERSONNEL OFFICE**, x5514 VOICE OR x5520 TDD.

FACULTY POSITIONS

- PRACTICAL INDUSTRIAL ARTS TEACHER: KDES
 MUSIC & RHYTHM TEACHER: KDES
 CFY SPEECH PATHOLOGIST: MSSD
 PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER: MSSD
 COMMUNICATION SPECIALIST-SPEECH: KDES
 ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR: MSSD

Classified Ads

FREE: Handicapped puppy needs good home, 3-legged Siberian/shepherd mix, 4 mos. old. Very affectionate, great with kids. Housebroken, shots. Fenced yard a must. Call Colleen, x5258.

FOR RENT: Small 2-room basement apt., ground level, pvt. entrance, bath, kitchen, in Hyattsville. Prefer non-smoker. \$145 plus utils. Call 927-7888 until midnight.

FREE: Kittens, 9 wks. old, call x5548 TDD.

FOR RENT: Large furnished master bedroom for couple or two people to share, prefer quiet non-smoker and cat-lover. \$130 each plus 1/3 utils. Call x5548 TDD from 9-3, Mon.-Fri.

FOR RENT: 1 br apt. in Bladensburg, MD, fully carpeted, c/ac, dishwasher, disposal, pool. \$310/mo, including utils. Avail. June 15. Call M.A. Pugin, x5105 or x5104 TDD, or x5100 voice.

FOR RENT: Apartment to share, Bladensburg area, ready for occupancy June 1 or July 1. 10 min. from Gallaudet, swimming pool, parking area, kitchen privileges. \$190-210/mo including utils. Call Fred at 779-3792.

BABYSITTING AVAILABLE: 15 1/2-year-old girl would like to babysit this summer, live in weekdays, go home weekends. Call Susie, x5959 TDD or 725-1133 TDD.

ROOMMATE NEEDED: To share townhouse in Landover Hills, MD. Nice area, \$200/mo plus utils. Call 577-7752 TDD or 459-7464 voice.